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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

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Dear Sir:

This paper is being submitted in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed on October 22, 2002.

Applicants hereby elect the claims of Group I (1-21 and 25-28) drawn to a switching module for an electronic transmission. Applicants wish to maintain pendancy of the remaining claims 22-24 in the event a generic claim is allowed. Applicants have herein submitted a preliminary amendment that amends claim 25 and 26 and adds new claims 29-38. Applicants submit that new claims 29-38 are also drawn to a switching module for an electronic transmission.

Examination on the merits is respectfully requested. The Examiner is urged contact the undersigned attorney at 612.336.4617 with any questions or concerns.

Respectfully submitted,

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8	- 1	6	=	2	X	84.00	=	\$168.00
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